

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A hybrid vehicle, comprising:
an engine which is mounted in an engine room, and serves as a driving source;
a transmission which is disposed adjacent to the engine, and incorporates at least one electric motor which serves as a driving motor;
an inverter disposed in the engine room; and
at least one high voltage wire which is routed ~~behind~~ between the engine with ~~respect to a vehicle longitudinal direction and a passenger cabin of the hybrid vehicle~~, and connects the inverter and the electric motor incorporated in the transmission.
2. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 1, wherein
a middle portion of the high voltage wire is secured to a securing unit.
3. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 2, wherein
the securing unit comprises at least one of the engine, an engine accessory fixed to the engine, the transmission, and a transmission accessory fixed to the transmission.
4. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 3, wherein
the engine accessory is an intake pipe for introducing air to the engine.
5. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 4, wherein
the high voltage wire is secured to the engine and the intake pipe.
6. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 2, wherein
the high voltage wire includes a restricted portion which is secured to the securing unit whereby movement thereof is restricted, and a non-restricted portion which is not secured to the securing unit so that movement thereof is not restricted.

7. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 6, wherein
the high voltage wire is routed such that the restricted portion thereof is
positioned closer to the engine and transmission side, and the non-restricted portion thereof is
positioned closer to the inverter side, the inverter being fixed to a vehicle body.
8. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 2, wherein
the high voltage wire is secured to the securing unit at a location that is apart from
an exhaust pipe of the engine.
9. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 8, wherein
the exhaust pipe is disposed toward one of the lateral sides of the vehicle from the
engine.
10. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 9, wherein
the engine is a V-type engine that includes a pair of banks in which a plurality of
cylinders are arranged in a vehicle longitudinal direction and an exhaust pipe is disposed toward
one of the lateral sides of the vehicle from the respective banks, and the high voltage wire is
routed near and above the transmission.
11. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 2, wherein
the inverter is connected with the electric motor by a plurality of high voltage
wires, and respective high voltage wires are secured to the securing unit in a bundle.
12. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 2, wherein
a securing member secures the high voltage wire to the securing unit is provided
integrally with the securing unit.

13. (Currently Amended) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 1, wherein
the transmission is disposed at the back of the engine with respect to ~~the~~ a vehicle
longitudinal direction,
the inverter is disposed near and above the engine, and
the electric motor is connected with the high voltage wire at an upper portion of
the transmission.
14. (Original) The hybrid vehicle according to claim 13, further comprising:
an intake pipe which is positioned above the engine and below the inverter, and
introduces air to the engine, wherein
the high voltage wire is secured to the engine and the intake pipe.